NY Rising Program

Potential Priority Projects

Open House Session
Overview: NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program

New York State assistance for rebuilding after Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, Superstorm Sandy

10 NY Rising Community planning areas in New York City

Lower Manhattan planning area: Manhattan south of 14th Street
The Planning Committee is working towards a **Community Reconstruction Plan** supporting specific goals

**Goals**
- Increase resiliency of key assets
- Address short, medium, and long-term risks
- Balance costs and benefits
- Protect vulnerable populations
- Drive economic growth
- Coordinate with regional initiatives
- Outline steps for implementation

**Community Reconstruction Plan**

**Six Recovery Functions**

| Community Planning & Capacity Building | Economic Development | Health & Human Services | Housing | Infrastructure | Natural & Cultural Resources |
DOS has appointed a Consultant Team to provide technical assistance to the Planning Committee

Lower Manhattan Planning Committee

Planning Committee Co-Chairs
Catherine McVay Hughes and Dan Ackerman

Committee Members
Wellington Chen, Betty Cohen, Hope Cohen, George Cominskie, Kerri Culhane, Robin Forst, Timur Galen, David Gruber, Tessa Huxley, Robert Keating, Robert LaValva, Michael Levine, Gigi Li, Sam Miller, Marco Pasanella, Damaris Reyes

NY State Government

Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery, Community Reconstruction Program
Director: Jamie Rubin

NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program
NYC Lead Planner: Steve Ridler
Regional Leads: Claudia Filomena, Alex Zablocki

Lower Manhattan Community Planners
Steve Ridler, Fred Landa and Ron Rizzotti

Consultant Team
HR&A Advisors/Parsons Brinckerhoff
Diverse funding sources to be considered in the planning process

**NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Funds:**
- Up to $25 million for Lower Manhattan
- Additional funding (up to $3 million) available under NY Rising to the Top Competition

**Additional select federal funds:**
- CDBG-DR
- Army Corps of Engineers appropriation
- FEMA: Public & Individual Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grants
- Social Services Block Grants
- Federal Transit Authority & Federal Highway Administration Relief
- Clean Water & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

**Additional select state and city funds:**
- NYS - Recreate NY Multi-Family Housing Mitigation/Elevation Grant Program
- NYC - Build it Back (CDBG-DR)
- NYC - Small Business Matching Grant Program (CDBG-DR)
- NYC - Nonprofit Recovery Loan/Grant Program
Plan steps and major milestones

Meeting objectives

Identify
Assets and
Risks

Define Needs,
Opportunities,
and Vision

Identify,
Evaluate, and
Prioritize
Projects and
Actions

Identify
Funding
Sources
Develop
Implementation
Plan

Create
Final
Community
Reconstruction
Plan
Focus of work: Areas in Lower Manhattan with Highest Flood Risk
We began by conducting a **needs and opportunities assessment** in October at Public Meeting #1.
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Initial public and committee feedback was captured in the Lower Manhattan Conceptual Plan

http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr/conceptual-plans
The Committee identified four Key Strategies for the Lower Manhattan Conceptual Plan

- Improve emergency preparedness, response, & recovery
- Increase resiliency of small businesses
- Increase residential building resiliency
- Open space and flood-related resiliency
At Public Meeting #2 in December, the Committee then refined strategies and considered ideas for potential projects.
Working groups developed potential Priority Projects in four categories and used DOS and Committee criteria to evaluate and prioritize them.

- Emergency Preparedness
- Residential Resiliency
- Small Business Resiliency
- Coastal Protection, Flood Mitigation and Open Space

**DOS Evaluation Criteria**
- Co-Benefits
- Cost
- Feasibility
- Funding Availability
- Public Support
- Risk Reduction

**Committee-Generated Criteria**
- Geographic Spread
- Scalability
- Synergy
- Timeline
- Vulnerable Populations Focus
NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program work schedule

Public Meeting Date
Deliverable Due Date

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March 12: Committee submits projects for CDBG-DR funding
March 31: Committee submits Final Plan
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Potential Priority Projects

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The purpose of today’s meeting is to hear the community’s feedback on the potential **Priority Projects**.

1. Browse through each of ten potential Priority Projects

2. Talk to representatives of the Lower Manhattan Planning Committee to learn more about the projects

3. Confirm your priorities using FIVE STICKERS – use them any way you want
# Potential Priority Projects

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